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(Case No. 97,195-P)

In re Application of:)
Burg, et al.)
Serial No.: 09/901,181) Examiner: TBA
Filed: July 9, 2001) Art Unit: 1656
For: Nucleic Acid Assays)

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure provided by 35 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§ 1.97-99, the applicants wish to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. The references are listed in the PTO-1449 form enclosed herewith. It is requested that the documents be given careful consideration and that they be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application so that they will appear on the face of the patent issuing from the present application.

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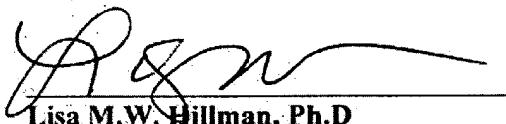
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